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7 August 1952

ATTN: [redacted]
General Counsel

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Assurances to [redacted] 25X1

OGC HAS REVIEWED.

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1. I have discussed with Mr. Dulles your point on the fears expressed by [redacted] that he might be called on to perjure himself or risk contempt proceedings in order to abide by the secrecy agreement. Mr. Dulles recalled that he had given his personal assurances to Mr. Bundy but suggested that we draft assurances which could be shown to [redacted] in an effort to satisfy him that he would be protected. 25X1

2. The Agency policy is as follows. Mr. Cox and his committee members and staff will not be briefed fully or in part at this time. However, Mr. Cox has been told generally about our interest in and relations to [redacted] and has assured both the Deputy Director for Administration and the General Counsel that he has no intention of going into any matters in which we have an interest and that he does not expect to enter upon questioning which would require revelation of classified information. We have a ready liaison with this committee, and I am of the opinion that we could at all times take action which would protect any witness if questions relating to classified matters were asked. The methods of protecting the witness would vary depending upon what the committee wished as we have no desire to thwart their aims on a plea of security. The probable methods are: 25X1

(1) To obtain an executive hearing by the committee without minutes where the witness could speak freely and could be relieved by us from his security oath.

(2) We might find out what the committee wishes to know and if it relates to our business furnish this directly and ask them not to call the witness.

(3) We could brief the committee and its staff to stay off certain subjects with witnesses we identified to them.

(4) We can, in all probability, at any time approach Mr. Cox on special cases and work out a satisfactory solution.

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This is a rough draft dealing with the
subject we discussed sometime ago.

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Monday or Tues.

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31 July
[Redacted] said the person in question
has arrived in the States.

MB

*Return to [Redacted]
with copy of my
memo of 2 Aug.*

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